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Surface Transportation Board Section of Environmental Analysis 1925 "K" Street NW -Suite 534 Washington, DC 20423-0001 MAR 17 2003

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Re:

NY 333 - NYC Proposed Abandonment and CSXT Proposed Discontinuance of Service - Northeast Region, Albany Division, Selkirk Subdivision, between Milepost QGW 159.6 and Milepost QGW 165.9, a distance of 6.3 miles between South Amsterdam, Montgomery County and Rotterdam Junction,

Schenectady County, New York. Docket AB-565 (Sub-No. 14X) Docket AB-55 (Sub-No. 629X)

Gentlemen:

This refers to CSX Transportation's Notice of Exemption filed on February 28, 2003 requesting authority to abandon and discontinue service on its line of railroad as described above.

Your attention is called to the attached letter received from Ms. Ruth Pierpont of the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation stating "Based upon this review, it is the SHPO's opinion that your project will have No Effect upon cultural resources in or eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places."

Sincerely

Attachment

Copy:

Ms. N.S. Rosenberg, Counsel, CSXT, 500 Water Street - J150, Jacksonville, FL 32202



New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation

Historic Preservation Field Services Bureau Peebles Island, PO Box 189, Waterford, New York 12188-0189

518-237-8643

February 21, 2003

Dave Geraci CSX Transportation 500 Water Street Jacksonville, Florida 32202

Re:

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Abandon 6.3 mi. CSX ROW/Amsterdam to

Rotterdam Junction

Florida/Amsterdam/Rotterdam, Montgomery/Schenectady County

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Dear Mr. Geraci:

Thank you for requesting the comments of the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO). We have reviewed the project in accordance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966.

Based upon this review, it is the SHPO's opinion that your project will have No Effect upon cultural resources in or eligible for inclusion in the National Registers of Historic Places.

If further correspondence is required regarding this project, please be sure to refer to the OPRHP Project Review (PR) number noted above.

Sincerely,

Ruth L. Pierpont

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Director

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